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Winter Wheat Production in the Northwest Region Up 11 Percent from Last Year

Based on May 1, 2015 conditions, production of winter wheat in Idaho is forecast at 57.1 million bushels, down 2 percent from 2014. Yield is expected to average 81.0 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year. Growers planted an estimated 760,000 acres in the fall of 2014, down 20,000 acres from the previous year. Harvested acres are forecast at 705,000 acres down 25,000 acres from a year ago.

In Oregon, production is forecast at 41.7 million bushels, up 3 percent from 2014. Yield is expected to average 56.0 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year. Growers planted an estimated 760,000 acres in the fall of 2014, up 10,000 acres from the previous year. Growers expect to harvest 745,000 acres, an increase of 5,000 acres from the previous year.

In Washington, production is forecast at 106 million bushels, up 24 percent from 2014. Yield is expected to average 63.0 bushels per acre, up 11 bushels from last year. Growers planted an estimated 1.75 million acres in the fall of 2014, up 50,000 acres from the previous year. Harvested acres are forecast at 1.68 million acres, an increase of 40,000 acres from 2014.

Nationally, production is expected to be 1.47 billion bushels, up 7 percent from 2014. Yield is forecast at 43.5 bushels per acre, up 0.9 bushel from last year. Growers planted an estimated 40.8 million acres in the fall of 2014, down from 42.4 million acres the previous year. Harvested acres are forecast at 33.8 million acres, up from 32.3 million acres in 2014.

U.S. White Winter wheat production is forecast at 203 million bushels, up 10 percent from last year. Of this total, 11.5 million bushels are Hard White and 191 million bushels are Soft White. U.S. Hard Red Winter, at 853 million bushels, is up 16 percent from 2014. Soft Red Winter, at 416 million bushels, is down 9 percent from 2014.

Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014 and Forecasted May 1, 2015

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Idaho	730	705	80.0	81.0	58,400	57,105
Oregon	740	745	55.0	56.0	40,700	41,720
Washington	1,640	1,680	52.0	63.0	85,280	105,840
United States	32,304	33,838	42.6	43.5	1,377,526	1,471,802

Wheat Production by Class — United States: 2014 and Forecasted May 1, 2015

[Wheat class estimates are based on the latest available data including both surveys and administrative data. The previous end-of-year season class percentages are used throughout the forecast season for States that do not have survey or administrative data available. Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Crop	2014	2015
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Winter		
Hard red.....	737,937	853,356
Soft red	455,297	415,609
Hard white.....	11,490	11,495
Soft white.....	172,802	191,342
Spring		
Hard red.....	555,543	
Hard white.....	8,943	
Soft white.....	30,552	
Durum.....	53,087	
Total	2,025,651	

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